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Stand up for nature

Thank you to everyone who has contacted me about standing up for nature ahead of the Government's forthcoming Agriculture Bill.

The forthcoming Agriculture Bill must address the long-term food security of our nation, prioritise the production of nutritious, good quality food, and ensure, in measurable and enforceable terms, the future of our environment, wildlife and habitats.

However, like so many people, I am concerned that some of the proposals put forward by the Government fall short of the protections that are necessary to protect and restore wildlife in the countryside. In the light of that I want to assure everyone who has contacted me about this issue that as the Agriculture Bill is debated in Parliament, the Labour Party will not accept any watering down of environmental standards that would damage the environment and wildlife. We will also be pressing for the Government to ensure that farmers who work hard to improve the environment are supported for doing so.

Thanks again to everyone who has got in touch about this issue.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard Burden'.

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